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**MAYOR DERMER'S 'CANDO' BLUE RIBBON COMMITTEE FINALIZED,
READY TO GET TO WORK**

(Miami Beach, FL) - July 25, 2006 - The Blue Ribbon Committee slated to guide the creation of Mayor David Dermer's proposed Cultural Arts Neighborhood District Overlay initiative (CANDO) has been finalized with a twenty-five member roster. Committee members, who will hold their first meeting on September 12th, represent a cross section of the Miami Beach community, with resident artists, hoteliers, property owners, community activists and City administrators among the ranks.

"CANDO is off to a great start," proclaimed Mayor Dermer. "I couldn't be happier with the group of folks that has come together in this public-public partnership," he continued, "and I'm confident that their creativity and their clear enthusiasm for this initiative will help us produce a first-rate arts district that Miami Beach residents and visitors can enjoy for years to come."

The CANDO district will run from 24th Street and Dade Boulevard to the north, Lincoln Road to the south, Meridian Avenue to the west, and the ocean to the east. Several current fixtures of the Miami Beach cultural arts community, including the Jackie Gleason Theatre, the Miami City Ballet, and the Bass Museum are located within the boundaries of the proposed district and will help anchor it.

The September 12th CANDO Blue Ribbon Committee meeting will take place at the Miami Beach Regional Library auditorium, located at 227 22nd Street. All CANDO meetings will be open to the public and all are encouraged and invited to attend.

For more information on CANDO, contact A.C. Weinstein, Senior Advisor to the Mayor, at 305-673-7035 or email acweinstein@miamibeachfl.gov.

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